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## THE Farmers National Bank OF DURANT, IND. TER.

Capital - - - \$60,000.00  
Surplus and Undivided Profits 10,000.00

### OF CERS:

A. C. RISNER, PRESIDENT  
T. J. PERKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT  
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Promptness, Courtesy and Consideration  
Our Policy. Our Stock Is Owned By  
Local People.

The Farmers' business given the same careful  
attention and consideration accorded any of our  
customers.

YOUR BUSINESS SOLICITED

## PLANT LOTS OF POTATOES

Is the Advice of Industrial Agt. Peeler  
of the M. K. & T. Railway.

To the Secretaries of the Tack  
Growers Associations along the  
line of the M. K. & T. Ry.

Gentlemen: No doubt your  
association understands that  
there was a big shortage in the  
potato crop throughout the potato  
producing states in the North and  
East last year, and that potatoes  
are much higher now than they  
have been for many years.

I am pleased to say that we  
have much brighter prospects for  
good market for 1906 than we  
have had for many years. Seed  
potatoes are very high at this  
time, which is one of the best in-  
dications of good markets at har-  
vest time. In my opinion pota-  
toes will demand good prices  
throughout Texas this season, and  
I believe much better than we  
have enjoyed for at least a good  
six or seven years.

In view of the fact that we  
have such bright prospects, I  
think the farmers should be urged  
to plant as heavily as possible  
this season. I have been keep-  
ing close in touch with the mar-  
ket situation, and have conferred  
with quite a few of the commis-  
sion merchants, and all of them  
agree that this is going to be the  
banner year in the potato busi-  
ness for the farmers.

The State press has been urg-  
ing the farmer to plant as heavily  
as possible, and in fact, everyone  
interested urging the matter.

I feel very deeply interested,  
and take this opportunity in giv-  
ing you this information. I know  
that our people suffered a good  
deal last year on account of the  
bad market. Now I would like to  
see them come to the front, and I  
think this is the time to do it. My  
advice is to plant as heavily as  
possible. Texas cannot produce  
enough to effect the market to  
any great extent, as you know we  
get our crop in early, and do not  
come in competition with the  
bulk of the potatoes which are  
marketed throughout the North  
and East.

Yours truly,  
T. L. PEELER,  
Industrial Agent.

### Physical Culture Lecture.

Prof. J. L. Burrell of Boston,  
Mass., arrived in the city yester-  
day to visit the schools and will  
remain over till Saturday, in-  
structing the pupils of the High  
School and Presbyterian College  
in the study of physical culture.

Professor Burrell last afternoon  
at 4 p. m. entertained the pupils  
of the High School with ventrilo-  
quism, impersonation, reading  
and so on. The lecture was high-  
ly enjoyed by the students.

This afternoon he will enter-  
tain the pupils of the Presbyter-  
ian College at 4 o'clock with the  
same program. Then he will  
again appear at the High School  
Saturday evening at 4 o'clock.

Poy McCullom, lately of  
Dougherty, has accepted a posi-  
tion with Rockwell Bros. lumber  
company as bookkeeper. Mr.  
McCullom comes well recom-  
mended.

### Tax Collections.

City Tax Collector and Asses-  
sor A. Neely reports that he has  
collected about \$18,500 up to  
date. The total amount of taxes  
to be collected is in the neighbor-  
hood of \$25,000. The time limit  
is February 10, and it is expected  
that most people will pay up be-  
fore the 25 per cent penalty is  
added.

## UTICA ARTICLES OF INTEREST

A Budget of the Comings and Goings  
of the People.

Homer Butler has improved his  
home by adding another room.

W. H. Iley is nearing comple-  
tion of his new dwelling and will  
move in soon.

J. W. Pruitt will build another  
room to his house in the near fu-  
ture.

The blizzard froze out Sunday  
school and prayer meeting Sun-  
day, but come next Sunday just  
the same. There will be services  
and all are invited to attend and  
take an active part.

Dr. A. J. Wells says the health  
of the community is distressingly  
good just now.

R. M. Poff will start for South-  
west Texas Thursday, where he  
expects to remain for some time.

Wm. Johnston is all smiles. Its  
a boy.

Thomas Lambert and brother  
returned from Denison Sunday.  
It was a cool drive.

J. W. Pruitt went to Durant  
Wednesday on business.

H. G. Van Zant made a busi-  
ness trip to Durant Wednesday.

Jim McMinany went to Durant  
with produce Wednesday.

Miss Ida Frankli was in town  
the first of the week visiting her  
friend, Miss Saphronia Freeman.

Just a few more days of sun-  
shine and cotton picking will be  
a thing of the past with Utiacites.

Mrs. F. E. Pride is visiting rel-  
atives and friends in Indiana.

W. S. Woods was in town to-  
day. Mr. Woods is one of Du-  
rant's most progressive farmers.

Bert Clifton was in town this  
forenoon.

J. K. Gibson was on the streets  
of Utica Wednesday.

Mr. Laderdale of Wade, who  
drives a mail wagon, pulled his  
hack in two and left the larger  
part of it in a mud hole. Mr.  
Laderdale procured a wagon  
from a nearby farmer and made  
it into Wade, although a little  
late.

### Muskogee Postoffice Robbed.

Muskogee, I. T., Feb. 6.—It  
developed here Sunday that the  
local postoffice was robbed by  
unknown persons on the night of  
Jan. 26. A great many notes  
and valuable papers belonging to  
the law firm of Zevely & Givens  
were taken. It is estimated that  
100 letters were taken out. The  
boxes of many citizens were  
opened. The postal authorities  
have been keeping the matter  
quiet endeavoring to get a clew to  
the guilty parties. As yet none  
has been found.

A new grocery association has  
been organized in the city of Du-  
rant, composed of nearly all of  
the grocery merchants in town.  
The following officers were elect-  
ed: R. L. Crudup, president;  
H. B. Frewitt, secretary; H. G.  
Connell, assistant secretary and  
collector; J. N. Williams, treas-  
urer; Chas. Hardage, T. F. Allen  
and E. C. Fleet, executive com-  
mittee.

E. R. Benson, a prominent citi-  
zen of Utica, was in the city  
Tuesday evening and was taken  
through and shown the many  
beautiful mysteries of the Benev-  
olent and Protective Order of  
Elks in due and ancient form at  
the Elks Hall that night.

A. B. SCARBOROUGH,  
PRESIDENT,  
T. E. PENDLETON  
CASHIER.

JAS. R. MCKINNEY,  
VICE-PRESIDENT,  
GREEN THOMPSON,  
ASSISTANT CASHIER.

## Durant National Bank

Capital Stock - - - \$100,000  
Surplus and Profits - 30,000

Deposits Over a Quar-  
ter of a Million.

Courteous and Liberal Accommodations  
are Extended to All of Our Customers.

Your Business Is Solicited.

### FARMERS UNION

In Session Today at Federal Court  
Room.

From Thursday's Daily.  
The Twenty fifth District Farm-  
ers Union is in session today at  
the District Court House.

The meeting was called to or-  
der at 11 a. m. by F. M. Clay-  
brook, vice president, and John  
Ausley, the old reliable secretary,  
was at the desk as usual.

There were about forty dele-  
gates present and the morning  
session was taken up in appoint-  
ment of committees and prelimi-  
nary work.

Some very important business  
will come up this afternoon and  
tonight, when a larger delegation  
will arrive.

The News is promised a report,  
at least a summary, of the pro-  
ceedings, which we hope to print  
tomorrow.

The questions up for discussion  
is a plan of marketing, farmers  
telephones and a market house  
for farmers.

"Uncle Sam" Hampton, the  
rip roaring Western orator, is  
present and is expected to liven  
up things today or tonight.

Mrs. Georgia, Bridwell, who  
has for the past month been the  
guest of her parents, Mr. and  
Mrs. N. S. Bledsoe, left this af-  
ternoon for her home at Celeste,  
Texas. She will be accompanied  
by her sister, Miss Earlie, who  
will remain as her guest for a  
few weeks.

## WOULD NOT VETO BILL

President Will Accept Statehood Bill  
as Amended.

Washington, Feb. 7.—Presi-  
dent Roosevelt's announcement  
that he would not veto the stat-  
ehood bill even though the Senate  
did amend the bill by giving Ari-  
zona and New Mexico the refer-  
endum, is considered here an-  
other inducement to the Senate  
to pass the rate bill.

### Republicans Meet.

The Republican Club met Tues-  
day night at the Commissioner's  
court room, with a fair attend-  
ance and elected the following  
officers, whose duty it will be to  
steer the G. O. P. affairs in this  
section for the coming year:

Chas. C. Parker, president.  
John Huber, first vice-presi-  
dent.  
Ed F. Rines, second vice-presi-  
dent.

I. S. Hinshaw, secretary.  
M. L. Roberts, treasurer.  
H. Veach, N. A. Wilcox, S. I.  
Watson, Dr. J. F. Park and G.  
W. Holmes are the executive  
committee.

There were three new members  
enrolled.  
This election was to have been  
held in January, but on account  
of the severe weather was post-  
poned.

Valentines at Brooks'. 50-6

## A FIRE ON ARKANSAS

Four Room House Partly Burns—No  
Insurance—\$400 Loss.

The city was aroused last night  
about seven o'clock when the fire  
bell gave the alarm and the word  
"fire" spread like wild fire. Be-  
fore the bell had finished tolling  
there were a hundred men there  
ready if necessary to assist the  
fire boys to quench the flames.  
The fire was in a four room house  
within the limits of the Lone Star  
wagon yard, on the north side of  
the Frisco on Main street, and  
belonged to J. D. Curtis of Rob-  
bers Roost. The owner carried  
no insurance on the building and  
the loss is estimated at \$400.

The building was occupied by  
H. B. Brigham and family and a  
brother-in-law and wife. The  
fire originated in the east room  
from a heating stove, which was  
close to a wall, and as there was  
a glowing fire in it the walls read-  
ily ignited. Very little of the  
household goods were saved, and  
considering the time the fire boys  
began their work in putting out  
the flames they did very credit-  
able work.

Geo. White of Ardmore arrived  
in the city yesterday morning to  
be the guest of his parents, Mr.  
and Mrs. C. J. White for a few  
days.

## Every Day In The Week

and Sunday, too, you need  
Stationery, pencils, pens,  
inks, day books, ledgers,  
bookkeeper and typewriter  
supplies

Here You'll Find  
All You Need

Our line of fancy stationery  
is complete and certainly  
up-to-date—and you'll find  
our prices down to the bot-  
tom.

Norwood's  
BOOK STORE.

### Never Disappoints.

"Many extensively advertised  
remedies are failures when put to  
the test. Hunt's Lightning Oil is  
an exception. Confidence in it is  
never misplaced—disappointment  
never follows its use. It is surely  
the greatest emergency remedy  
now obtainable. For cuts, burns,  
sprains, aches and pains I know  
no equal." Geo. E. Paddock,  
Doniphan, Mo.

The Cantata Esther will meet  
every night this week for prac-  
tice at the Elks hall. 148-1f

## IT'S SAFE TO SAY You Need AN EXTRA TABLE

Either the kitchen, the dining  
room, the bedroom, the parlor or  
the business office is often in-  
convenienced by the lack of a  
table.

WE'VE GOT THEM

Next time you are passing down  
this way, step in and let us  
show you how good and yet how  
cheap we can serve you in up-  
to-date tables.

W. B. Pettey Fur. Co.  
The House Furnishers.

## THE CAUSE OF NIGHT MARES

Make a note of it and see if it isn't from sleeping  
on poorly attached, rickety, one sided, unbalanced,  
short-slatless bedsteads. Of course there are other  
reasons for night mares, but—well you need to con-  
sult us about good beds, comfortable beds, up-to-  
date beds—iron beds, folding beds, oak beds, baby  
beds. Special prices for the next week to those who  
desire sweet rest and nightmareless slumbers.

Durant Furniture Co.

G. W. Holmes, Manager.